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SUBJECT: UKRAINIAN NATIONALISM: SOVIET PRESS
COMMENTS ON RECENTLY-EXPELLED UKRAINIAN-CANADIAN
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SUMMARY: UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE LITERATURNA UKRAINA OF AUGUST 15 CARRIES SCATHING "DOCUMENTARY" ON ANTONINA HOROKHOVYCH, A UKRAINIAN-CANADIAN EXPELLED FROM USSR AUGUST 8 -OR ALLEGEDLY ENGAGING IN SUBVERSIVE NATIONALIST ACTIVITIES WHILE IN UKRAINE OSTENSIBLY AS TOURIST. ARTICLE LINKS HER TO NUMEROUS UKRAINIAN DISSIDENTS AND THEY, IN TURN, TO CIA. UKRAINIAN INFORMATION SERVICE "SMOLOSKYP" HEAD ZINKEVYCH CHARACTERIZED AS "ACTIVE CIA AGENT." CITING DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN 1977 KLYMCHUK CASE, ARTICLE DESCRIBES ALLEGED INTERNECINE STRIFE BETWEEN BANDERIST AND MEL'NYKIST WINGS OF ORGANIZATION OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTS (OUN). AT SAME TIME IT TACITLY ACKNOWLEDGES CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF UNDER-GROUND NATIONALIST MOVEMENT IN THE UKRAINE. END SUMMARY. CONFIDENTIAL

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1. ENTITLED "OVERSEAS BIRD DROM THE OUN SHELTER"
LONG, SARCASTIC ARTICLE IN AUGUST 15 LITERATURNA
UKRAINA ATTACKS UKRAINIAN-CANADIAN CITIZEN ANTONINA
HOROKHOVYCH WHO, ARTICLE STATES, WAS EXPELLED FROM
SOVIET UNION AUGUST 8. CHARACTERIZING HOROKHOVYCH
AS "ACTIVE OUN NUNCTIONARY", ARTICLE STATES SHE

SLIPPED INTO UKRAINE USING PSEUDONYM (KHOROCHOVYCH)
FOR PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT "SUBVERSIVE, HOSTILE
WORK." ARTICLE AUTHOR MYKOLA PODOLYAN THEN LAUNCHES
INTO LENGTHY CATALOGUE OF HOROKHOVYCH'S ALLEGEDLY
ILLICIT CONTACTS WITH UKRAINIAN DISSIDENTS.
MENTIONED BY NAME ARE, INTER ALIA, NADIYA SVITLYCHNA,
M. KOTSYUBYNSKA, AND HOROKHOVYCH'S OWN RELATIVES
FYODOR LITVIN AND A. YASKO. TO THESE PEOPLE
HOROKHOVYCH PASSED JEANS, SWEATERS, COATS,
SCARVES, EVEN AN AUTOMOBILE, AND ALL AT DIRECTION
OF OUN--CLAIMS ARTICLE--TO SUPPORT UKRAINIAN
DISSIDENTS FINANCIALLY.

2. ATTEMPTING TO LINK THESE CONTACTS WITH UKRAINIAN DISSIDENTS TO CIA, ARTICLE CLAIMS BRAND-NEW MINOX INTELLIGENCE TO ITS SECRET AGENTS") WAS FOUND IN THE POSSESSION OF PROSECUTED DISSIDENT S. SHABATURA, A GIFT FROM ANOTHER UKRAINIAN-CANADIAN "AGENT" CHRISTINA HOLOD. FURTHER, UNDER QUESTIONING BY POLICE HOROKHOVYCH ALLEGEDLY "CONFIRMED THE WIDELY-HELD VIEW AMONG UKRAINIANS THAT ZINKEVYCH IS AN ACTIVE CIA AGENT." (COMMENT: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, ZINKEVYCH IS EDITOR OF "SMOLOSKYP" UKRAINIAN INFORMATION SERVICE LOCATED IN ELLICOTT CITY, MD., AS WELL AS ACTIVIST IN WASHINGTON-BASED HELSINKI GUARANTEES FOR UKRAINE COMMITTEE.)

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- 3. IN FINAL TWIST, ARTICLE REFERS TO 1977 ARREST AND DETAINMENT OF L'VOV OF ANDREW KLYMCHUK, A UK STUDENT OF UKRAINIAN ORIGIN. IN BANDERIST-ORIENTED OUN LITERATURE KLYMCHUK WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE DISTRIBUTED, ARTICLE CLAIMS THERE WAS STRICT WARNING TO UKRAINIAN DISSIDENTS NOT TO PASS DOCUMENTS TO ZINKEVYCH, HOROKHOVYCH, ANDREW ZWARUN (PRESIDENT OF THE HELSINKI GUARANTEES FOR UKRAINE COMMITTEE), OR OTHERS OF OUN MEL'NYKIST FACTION. STATING THAT "THEY WILL TAKE ANY RENEGADE, WHOEVER HE IS", ARTICLE CONCLUDES BY CLAIMING THAT OUN BANDERIST AND MEL'NYKIST FACTIONS ARE IN FIERCE COMPETITION.
- 4. COMMENT: ARTICLE USES NOW STANDARD PLAY OF DISCREDITING UKRAINIAN ACTIVISTS ABROAD BY CONCOCTING MURKY PASTS RELATING TO NAZI COLLABORATION, WARTIME ATROCITIES, ETC. IN THAT REGARD, IT IS REMINISCENT OF LAST YEAR'S SMEAR PIECE DIRECTED AGAINST ANTHONY DRAHAN, EDITOR OF NEW JERSEY-BASED UKRAINIAN EMIGRE PAPER "SVOBODA." DISSIDENTS ARE REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE. NO REFERENCE

WHATEVER EITHER TO KIEV HELSINKI MONITORING GROUP OR TO ANY OF ITS REMAINING MEMBERS. KAP/EMBASSY NOTE THAT ONE OF THOSE MENTIONED, NADIYA SVITLYCHNA, DID MAKE PUBLIC APPEAL LAST FEBRUARY TO CANADIAN PREMIER RUDEAU ON BEHALF OF IMPRISONED UKRAINIAN DISSIDENT ADYN SMOHYTEL'. AT ABOUT SAME TIME SHE VISITED (AA SEEKING EMIGRATION ASSISTANCE, WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REFUSED BY KIEV OVIR AFTER RECEIVING VYZOV FROM COUSIN IN U.S., AND, WE UNDERSTAND, HAS SINCE ENCOUNTERED NUMEROUS PROBLEMS WITH REGIME (PRESUMABLY

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CONFIRMED BY HER MENTION IN ARTICLE).

6. OVERALL, ARTICLE IS HEAVY-HANDED ATTEMPT TO:
A) DISCREDIT UKRAINIAN DISSIDENTS BY LINKING THEM TO
CIA; AND B) DEPICT UKRAINIAN NATIONALIST ORGANIZATIONS
IN WEST AS LOCKED IN INTERNECINE STRIFE FOR HEARTS
OF NATIONLIST ELMENTS IN UKRAINE. SIGNIFICANTLY,
HOWEVER, ARTICLE NEVER DENIES EXISTENCE OF SUCH
ELEMENTS HERE. IN SUM, THIS PIECE OFFERS FURTHER
EVIDENCE THAT UKRAINIAN NATIONALISM REMAINS CONTINUING
POLITICAL PROBLEM FOR SOVIET LEADERS. TOON

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